

WISCONSIN ANNUAL SURVEY OF HOME HEALTH AGENCIES

This publication presents summary information from the 2004 Wisconsin Annual Survey of Home Health Agencies. Wisconsin had 147 licensed home health agencies and 69,510 home health patients in 2004. There were 3.5 million home health visits during the year.

HOME HEALTH AGENCY CHARACTERISTICS

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Agencies by Ownership Type			
Governmental	25	32	44
Nonprofit	62	70	81
Proprietary	60	53	59
All home health agencies	147	155	184

Patients by Ownership Type

Governmental	4,893	5,987	10,716
Nonprofit	52,320	54,765	51,126
Proprietary	12,297	11,294	15,941
All home health agencies	69,510	72,046	77,783

Agencies by Certification Type

Medicare	135	142	175
Medicaid	139	146	175
Personal care	104	112	147
Hospice	36	42	36

HOME HEALTH EMPLOYEES, 2004

Type of Employee	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Part-Time</u>	<u>FTEs Per 100 Patients</u>
RNs	1,571	69%	1.48
LPNs	324	78	0.24
Home health aides	1,610	79	1.11
Personal care workers	2,526	85	1.79
All employees*	8,186	73%	6.67

* Includes all full-time and part-time employees, but excludes on-leave and contract employees. Data reflect the week of November 28-December 4, 2004.

HOME HEALTH PATIENTS

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Percent Female	59%	59%	63%
Percent by Age			
Age 55 and younger	25	25	22
Ages 55 to 64	12	10	8
Age 65 and older	64	66	70
Age 85 and older	19	19	19

Home Health Utilization Rate (Patients per 1,000 Population)

Total Population	12.5	13.4	15.2
Female	14.7	15.7	18.8
Female 65 and older	65.2	71.3	87.2
Female 85 and older	113.2	136.7	169.7
Male	10.4	11.2	11.5
Male 65 and older	56.2	60.7	68.7
Male 85 and older	137.8	160.9	192.2

Number Admitted	62,824	68,848	71,054
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Percent by Place from Which Admitted

Private residence	26%	24%	23%
General hospital	60	61	60
Nursing home	8	6	7
Other	6	9	10

Number Discharged or Died	62,805	68,847	68,822
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Percent by Place to Which Discharged

Private residence	77%	73%	68%
General hospital	8	14	16
Nursing home	4	4	5
Other	9	7	7
(Deaths)	(3)	(3)	(4)

Number of Patients on Caseload on Dec. 31	16,974	17,154	23,993
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	<u>2004</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Percent by Pay Source***			
Medicaid	16%	14%	14%
Medicare	57	56	59
Family Care	1	n/a	n/a
Private insurance (excluding HMO)	15	14	11
Private managed care/HMOs	6	8	4
Self pay	3	5	7
Other	2	3	5

Percent with Selected Diagnoses

Cardiovascular disease	13%	15%	16%
Arthritis	9	10	7
Cancer	5	8	8
Respiratory diseases	5	7	7

HOME HEALTH SERVICES

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Percent of Patients by Type of Service***			
Skilled nursing	83%	75%	88%
Home health aide	23	23	37
Physical therapy	41	30	19
Personal care	10	10	9

Percent of Agencies Providing Services at:

Adult Family Homes	42%	51%	51%
Residential Care/Assisted Living Apts.	41	61	n/a
Community-Based Res. Facilities	61	72	n/a

HOME HEALTH AGENCY REVENUE (SELF-REPORTED)

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Total Agency Revenue (in millions)	\$228.3	\$194.1	\$244.5
Medicare	46.7%	44.0%	53.1%
Medicaid	33.4	35.7	25.1
Other government	5.2	3.5	3.3
Third party	10.2	10.0	11.0
Self pay	2.7	4.7	5.0
Other sources	1.7	2.2	2.4
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

*** Each patient can have more than one pay source or type of service.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The source of data for these tables is the Annual Survey of Home Health Agencies, conducted by the Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, in cooperation with the Bureau of Fee-for-Service Health Care Benefits, Division of Health Care Financing; the Bureau of Quality Assurance, Division of Disability and Elder Services; and Wisconsin-licensed home health agencies.

The 2004 survey population consisted of 147 home health agencies. The survey form was sent to all Wisconsin home health agencies in April 2005 along with the Bureau of Quality Assurance’s annual report form (which has replaced a license renewal form). Only agencies that were still in operation in April 2005 were mailed the 2004 survey. Agencies operating in 2004 that did not complete the survey had either closed before April 2005, or closed within a few months.

Please note that the Annual Survey of Home Health Agencies **does not include agencies that provide personal care only.** (It does include those agencies that provide both home health care and personal care.)

Home health services are performed by either a registered nurse, a home health aide (under the supervision of a registered nurse), a licensed practical nurse, or a licensed therapist. These services may include skilled nursing, respiratory care, home health aide, personal care, medication management, medical social services, and physical, occupational, and speech and language therapies provided by a qualified individual in accordance with a patient's plan of care. **Personal care services** are performed by personal care workers under the supervision of a registered nurse. These services assist an individual with activities of daily living necessary to maintain the individual in his or her place of residence in the community, such as assistance with bathing, transferring, personal hygiene, changing bedding and clothing, toileting, and meal preparation.

Detailed information on Wisconsin home health agencies and their patients can be found in the report, *Wisconsin Home Health Agencies and Patients, 2004*. Agency-specific information can be found in *Wisconsin Home Health Agency Directory, 2004*. Both publications are available online at:

<http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/provider/homehealthagencies.htm>

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A wide variety of health statistics is available on the DHFS Web site: <http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/stats/>.

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